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Sir:

I, William S. Rosenberg, Ph.D., hereby declare and state that:

1. I am Director of Licensing & Ventures for University of Massachusetts Medical Center (UMMC) in the Office of Commercial Ventures and Intellectual Property.

2. I am familiar with the DNA vaccination technology described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application No. 08/187,879 (UMMC91-03A2) (the patent application).
3. I have been involved in all aspects of the licensing of this patent application and the DNA vaccination technology described and claimed in it, including a licensing agreement between UMMC and Pasteur Merieux-Connaught (Pasteur). The licensing agreement pertains to DNA vaccination technology described and claimed in the application for development of vaccines against thirteen diseases, for human use. This licensing agreement is the largest technology licensing agreement in the history of UMMC, and received extensive press coverage when it was signed in May 1996.
4. At the time the agreement between UMMC and Pasteur was reached, other companies had also expressed interest in licensing the DNA vaccination technology described and claimed in the application, including one company that had made an offer of terms for a licensing agreement.
5. Currently, I am involved in negotiations with other companies for veterinary use of the DNA vaccination technology described and claimed in the application, as well as negotiations for use of the DNA vaccination technology for uses in humans in addition to the thirteen diseases specified in the licensing agreement with Pasteur.

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